

2018 ESP Environmental Achievements

In 2018, the fifty-six (56) member facilities collectively realized Indiana environmental achievements in the following areas:

Environmental Achievements	Comparison
Electricity usage reductions by 30,227,223 kilowatt hours	Saved enough electricity to power 2,488 Indiana homes for one year. ¹
Natural gas reductions of 511,842,223 Btu	Reduced the amount of natural gas that would be used in 5.4 homes in one year. ²
Non-hazardous waste reductions by 6,163,994 pounds	Pounds of non-hazardous waste reduced is equivalent to 514 elephants! ³
Water usage reductions by 212,129,926 gallons.	Reduced the amount of water usage enough to fill nearly 321 Olympic sized swimming pools. ⁴
Increased recycling by 803,796 pounds	Increased recycling by a weight equivalent to about 161 full-sized passenger trucks. ⁵
Air emissions reductions by 9,184 pounds of Particulate Matter (PM), and 154,422 pounds of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)	Decreased air pollution by the weight of 32,721 bags of all-purpose flour. ⁶

- ^{1.} Electricity: average of 10,972 kWh per home annually in 2018 according to U.S. Energy Information Administration (U.S. EIA)
- ^{2.} Natural gas: The average Midwest household consumes 94.3 million British thermal units (Btu) a year, according to U.S. Energy Information Administration (U.S. EIA) 2015 survey data.
- ^{3.} According to the World Wildlife Fund, an average adult African elephant weighs about 12,000 pounds.
- ^{4.} Olympic Swimming Pool can hold 660,000 gallons of water.
- ^{5.} Average pick-up truck weighs 5000 pounds.
- ^{6.} Weight of a typical bag of all-purpose flour is 5 pounds.